HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE K.C. BHANU

W.P.No.20499 of 2005

Dated 19th September, 2005

Between:

Mr.D.Ramesh, S/o.Late Sri
Sreeramaiah, aged 43 years,
C/o.H.No.14-3-1/2, Goshamahal,
Begum Bazar, Hyderabad .. Petitioner

And

The Central Power Distribution Company
of Andhra Pradesh Ltd. (A.P. TRANSCO)
having office at Singareni Bhavan,
Hyderabad, rep. by its Managing Director
And two others .. Respondents

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ORAL ORDER:

This writ petition is filed seeking a Mandamus declaring the provisional assessment Notice dated 23.3.2004 as illegal and arbitrary and in violation of the Electricity Act, 2003.

The learned counsel for the petitioner has contended that the procedure contemplated under Section 126 of the Electricity Act, 2003 has not been violated. Therefore, he prays to allow the writ petition.

On the other hand, the learned standing counsel for the respondents has contended that the petitioner has not filed any objections to the provisional assessment, and therefore, there are no grounds to interfere with the impugned notice.

Aggrieved by the provisional notice dated 23.3.2004 calling upon the petitioner to pay certain amount, this writ petition is filed. The petitioner can raise any objection before the 3rd respondent with regard to the validity of the procedure. Therefore, an appropriate decision has to be taken by the 3rd respondent in accordance with law.

Hence, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, I consider it appropriate to direct the 3rd respondent to take appropriate decision in accordance with law.

The writ petition is disposed of in terms of the above direction. No costs.

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